## This Week in Wabash

Hello, Wabash,

I've been the Editor of the Wabash Plain Dealer since June 2019, but I'm not sure I've ever taken the time to formally introduce myself. Where do I begin?

How about this: I love music. I love listening to it. I love playing it. I've played guitar since I was 12.

As a result, one of my favorite things about working here in Wabash is the proximity to the Honeywell Center. Since I've started working here I've had the chance to interview many of the acts who have played in Wabash. I've even won <a href="Society of Professional Journalists">Society of Professional Journalists</a> and <a href="Hoosier State Press Association">Hoosier State Press Association</a> awards for my profiles of such artists as Amy Grant, David Crosby, Buck Trent of "Hee Haw," Richard Sterban of the Oak Ridge Boys and Patrick Myers of Killer Queen before their respective performances.

Recently, I had a similar opportunity to interview Frank Hannon, the guitarist for the band Tesla. It was great to connect with such an accomplished musician. I even had the chance to get into the weeds about his favorite guitars to use both in the studio and on the road. I always enjoy talking to musicians who have been working in the business for a while. This was no exception.

Tesla was scheduled to play Wabash last week, but at the last moment, disaster struck.

When I reached out to their team, I found out that the band had fallen ill with COVID-19 and that they wouldn't be playing. They weren't even sure they would be rescheduling.

Fortunately, it seems the worst has now passed because their dates in the area have been since been rescheduled. Tesla is now scheduled to swing through Wabash on Oct. 20. I'm glad they were able to make the new date work and I'm very excited to share the story about it closer to the time of the concert itself.

Speaking of staying healthy, I hope you'll take advantage of the COVID-19 testing and vaccination clinic happening today. The Indiana State Department of Health (ISDH), in conjunction with the Wabash County Health Department and the city of Wabash, will be conducting the clinic from noon to 8 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 1 at 1340 Manchester Ave.

That's all I have for this week. Have a safe, fun and healthy Labor Day weekend. I'll be back with you next Wednesday.

Best, Rob



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